FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT



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City of Baker

LEGISLATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY OFFICE

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TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

The above-named City of Baker is certifying a Finding of No Significant Impact for the following project:

CDBG Non-Competitive Program

This project will consist of:

- Rehabilitation of occupied homes and residential properties determined to have critical health and safety deficiencies,
- New construction of vacant, infill development residential properties, and/or
- Demolition and replacement of housing units that have health and safety deficiencies
- Homebuyer down payment assistance

All activities will take place within the City of Baker excluding the flood plain over a five-year period.

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It has been determined that the project, as described above, will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the above-named City of Baker has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-190).

The reasons for the decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Activities will undergo scrutiny for each individual property and will be assessed for environmental concerns. The City of Baker will comply with regulatory requirements and on a property-specific basis as potential properties are identified.

An Environmental Review Record documenting review of all project activities in respect to impacts on the environment has been made by the above-named City of Baker. This

Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted prior to the request for release of project funds. The project may be funded with [Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 AND/OR the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974]. The above-named City of Baker will notify the public at a later date when it intends to request release of the aforementioned funds.

Public Comments on Findings

All interested agencies, groups and persons wishing to comment on this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Baker to the office of the Mayor on or before September 8, 2014 to be considered by the City of Baker in making this Finding of No Significant Impact.

After the notification of the intent to request release of funds process is complete, the City of Baker intends to undertake the project described above. City of Baker is certifying to DOC that City of Baker and Clayton Hornung, in his official capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

Name of Environmental Certifying Officer or Chief Elected Official 08-19-14 10 W. Fallon Ave; PO Box 1512

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